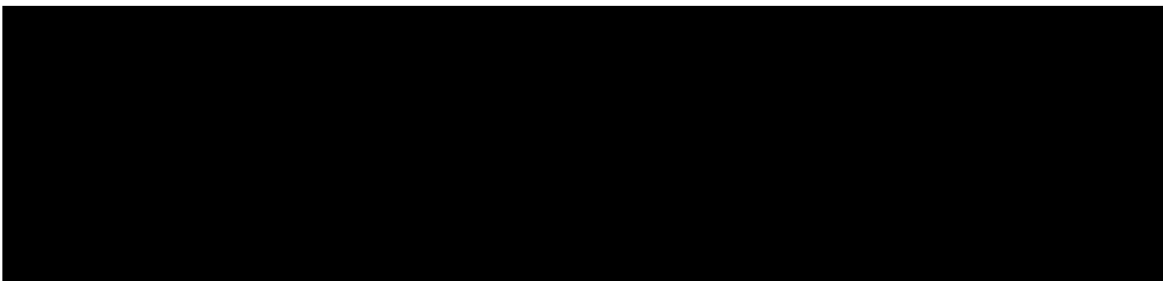


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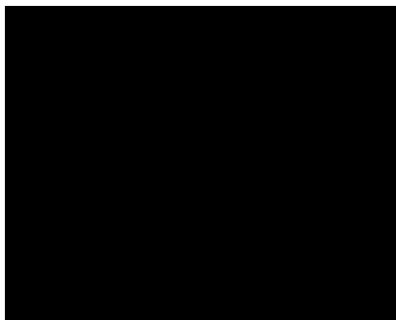
MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Plans)
SUBJECT: Reduction of Detachment "B"

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 2 for approval by the Deputy Director (Plans).

2. In an effort to profitably employ existing U-2 assets and to re-establish the flow of needed intelligence data, a plan for deployment to other areas along the lines of the [REDACTED] is proposed. A Detachment in the Near East along the lines of the [REDACTED] would provide potential coverage for areas of primary interest. An additional Detachment could be based [REDACTED] that would "tie in" the [REDACTED] and round out the strategic deployment for world wide U-2 coverage.



4. A Table of Organization for Detachment "B" has been developed which provides minimum personnel for the sole purpose of retaining present base rights at Adana. This will result in a monthly savings of approximately \$130,000 in salaries alone. The Table of Organization is as follows:



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5. Under this concept, Detachment "B" will become a holding force with one J-57 aircraft and necessary equipment to support possible future staging operations. Classified special equipment will be returned to Edwards as a means of reducing security personnel requirements at Adana.

6. Total assigned pilots will be reduced from ten to six. These will be permanently stationed at Edwards Air Force Base to assure a high degree of proficiency at all times. Pilots will be rotated as necessary on a TDY basis to Adana.

7. The Table of Organization for the Edwards Detachment will be augmented by one pilot and three commo technicians. This Detachment will provide world wide staging capability to conduct reconnaissance operations from either "bare strip" forward bases or from established U-2 sites such as Adana.

8. With execution of the plan as outlined above, aircraft location by type engine would be as follows:

Edwards	1 J-57
	1 J-57
Adana	1 J-57
Storage	1 J-57

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9. Recommend approval to proceed with the reduction of Detachment "B".

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Colonel USAF
Acting Chief, DPD-DD/P

The recommendation contained in paragraph 9 is approved:

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